

**Please Amend Claims 1, 2 and 5-7 as follows:**

1. (Currently Amended) A non-reciprocal circuit element comprising:

a yoke including, therein:

a magnetic plate;

a plurality of line conductors disposed on a first main surface of the magnetic plate and insulated from one another, each line conductor having a terminal segment;

a plurality of capacitor chips disposed around the magnetic plate; and

a magnet for applying a DC bias magnetic field in a direction substantially perpendicular to the first main surface of the magnetic plate,

wherein the line conductors intersect on a second main surface of the magnetic plate and are connected to one another on the ~~other~~first main surface of the magnetic plate, the terminal segments of the line conductors are connected to the capacitor chips, and the magnet has a major axis and a minor axis in plan view and has a convex surface on at least one peripheral portion thereof.

2. (Currently Amended) The non-reciprocal circuit element according to claim 1, wherein the magnet has a plan-view shape generated by partially cutting one of a circle ~~or~~and an ellipse along a straight line.

3. (Original) The non-reciprocal circuit element according to claim 1, wherein the magnet has an elliptic shape in plan view.

4. (Original) The non-reciprocal circuit element according to claim 2, wherein the magnet has a plan-view shape of a racing track.

5. (Currently Amended) The non-reciprocal circuit element according to claim 1, wherein a projection plane of the magnetic plate is one of identical to ~~or~~and completely disposed within a projection plane of the magnet.

6. (Currently Amended) The non-reciprocal circuit element according to claim 1, wherein the one of a ratio of the minor axis of the magnet to the minor axis of the magnetic plate ~~or the~~and a ratio of the major axis of the magnet to the major axis of the magnetic plate ranges from 1.0 to 1.9.

7. (Currently Amended) The non-reciprocal circuit element according to claim 6, wherein the one of the ratio of the minor axis of the magnet to the minor axis of the magnetic plate ~~or~~and the ratio of the major axis of the magnet to the major axis of the magnetic plate ranges from 1.6 to 1.9.